## REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Favorable reconsideration of this application as presently amended and in light of the following discussion is respectfully requested.

Claims 1-4, 6, 8, 9, 11-18 and 20-27 are pending in the present application. Claims 7 and 19 have been canceled without prejudice or disclaimer, and claims 1-3, 6, 8, 11, 18, 20, 21, 23 and 24 have been amended by the present amendment.

In the outstanding Office Action, claims 1-4, 6-9 and 11-27 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as anticipated by Spartz et al.; and claims 6 and 18 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by Krishnamurthi et al.

Applicant thanks the Examiner for discussing this application with Applicant's representative, David A. Bilodeau, on May 12, 2005. During the discussion, the Examiner suggested amending the claims to recite "creating a new service option report to include an assignment completion message list containing the changed service options and a message type" and "communicating the new service option report from the base station to the MSC," to further distinguish over the applied art. Accordingly, independent claims 1, 6, 11, 18 and 24 have been amended to include similar features.

Accordingly, it is respectfully submitted the rejections noted in the Office Action have been overcome, and independent claims 1, 6, 11, 18 and 24 and each of the claims depending therefrom are allowable.

## **CONCLUSION**

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, it is respectfully submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. Favorable consideration and prompt allowance are earnestly solicited. If the Examiner believes that any additional changes would place the application in better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney, **Daniel Y.J. Kim**, at the telephone number listed below.

To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this, concurrent and future replies, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 16-0607 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

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